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11	NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA			
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12	DAVISON DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT) Case No. CV-11-2970 (EDL)		
1.2	INC., et al.,) COUNTED OF AIMS		
13	Plaintiffs,) COUNTER-CLAIMS		
14	,) 1. RESTRICTIONS ON UNSOLICITED		
15	vs.) COMMERCIAL E-MAIL (Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17529.5)		
13	CATHY RILEY [erroneously sued as) 2. CONSUMERS LEGAL REMEDIES		
16	Catherine Riley],	ACT (Cal. Civ. Code § 1750 et seq.)		
17	Defendant.)) DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL (N.D. Cal.		
1 /	Defendant.) Rule 3-6(a))		
18)		
19	CATHY RILEY, an individual, and KRISTINA KIRBY, an individual,)		
1)	KKISTIVA KIKDT, an individual,))		
20	Counter-claimants,)		
21	VS.)		
21	vs.)		
22	SPIRE VISION HOLDINGS INC., a)		
23	Delaware corporation, CAIVIS ACQUISITION CORP. II, a)		
23	Delaware corporation,	,)		
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1	CAIVIS ACQUISITION CORP. III, a
2	Delaware corporation,) XL MARKETING CORP., a Delaware)
2	corporation,
3	SPIRE VISION LLC, a Delaware limited)
4	liability company,)
4	PROADVERTISERS LLC, a Delaware) limited liability company,)
5	PRIME ADVERTISERS LLC, a Nevada
_	limited liability company,
6	MEDIACTIVATE LLC, a Nevada limited) liability company,
7	CONNECTIONCENTRALS, a business entity
	of unknown organization,
8	SILVERINTERACTIVE, a business entity of)
9	unknown organization,) DIGITAL PUBLISHING CORP., a business)
	entity of unknown organization,
10	WARD MEDIA INC., a Delaware
11	corporation,)
11	ONDEMANDRESEARCH.COM, a business) entity of unknown organization,
12	60MINUTEPAYDAY.COM, a business entity
	of unknown organization,
13	ZACH ROBBINS, an individual,
14	AARP, a Washington DC non-profit) corporation,
	ACCELERATED PERFORMANCE –
15	CHANNEL MANAGEMENT LLC, a
16	business entity of unknown organization,
10	ACCELERATED TAX SOLUTIONS INC., a) Florida corporation,
17	AFFILIATENETWORK.COM MARKETING)
10	LLC, a New York limited liability company,)
18	AUTOTEGRITY INC., a Delaware) corporation,)
19	STACEY BRUCK, an individual,
	CASHFAST123 LLC, a Delaware limited)
20	liability company,
21	CHANNEL CLARITY INC., an Illinois) corporation,
41	CONSUMERINJURYALERT.COM, a
22	business entity of unknown organization,
22	DAVISON DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT)
23	INC., a Pennsylvania corporation,
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1	GMB DIRECT INC., a business entity of)
	unknown organization,)
2	THE GREAT AMERICAN PHOTO CONTEST LLC a New Jorgev limited liability
3	CONTEST LLC, a New Jersey limited liability) company,)
	WHAT IF HOLDINGS LLC, a New Jersey
4	limited liability company,)
	KEYWEBJOBS.COM, a business entity of)
5	unknown organization,)
6	LIFESCRIPT INC., a Delaware corporation,)
0	MYPHOTOGRAPHYCAREER.COM, a) business entity of unknown organization,)
7	POLICYGO.COM, a business entity of)
	unknown organization)
8	QUOTEWIZARD.COM LLC, a Delaware)
	limited liability company,)
9	SPARK NETWORKS USA LLC, a Delaware)
10	limited liability company, and) DOES 1-100,)
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11	Counter-defendants.
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12	I. INTRODUCTION
13	1. Cathy Riley ("Riley") and Kristina Kirby ("Kirby") (collectively, Counter-claimants)
14	bring these counter-claims against Counter-defendants for sending and advertising in at least 88
15	misleading Unsolicited Commercial Emails ("UCEs" or "spams") in 2011 that violated Cal.
16	Business & Professions Code § 17529.5. Counter-claimants seek statutory damages of \$1,000
	Business & Professions Code § 17329.3. Counter-claimants seek statutory damages of \$1,000
17	per email and attorneys' fees.
18	2. Riley also brings counter-claims against Davison Design & Development Inc. for
19	violations of the Consumers Legal Remedies Act, Cal. Civil Code § 1750 et seq., and seeks
20	punitive damages, injunctive relief, and attorneys' fees.
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II. PARTIES

A. Counter-Complainants

- 3. Cathy Riley ("Riley") is an individual and was, at all relevant times, a resident of the State of California, within the Northern District. Riley is not an Internet Service Provider ("ISP"). Riley's email address at which she received the spams at issue in this Counter-claim is a "California email address." *See* Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17529.1(b)(2) and (3).
- 4. Kristina Kirby ("Kirby") is an individual and was, at all relevant times, a resident of the State of California, within the Northern District. Kirby is not an Internet Service Provider ("ISP"). Kirby's email address at which she received the spams at issue in this Counter-claim is a "California email address." *See* Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17529.1(b)(2) and (3).

B. Spire Vision Counter-Defendants

- 5. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Spire Vision Holdings Inc. is currently, and was at all relevant times, a Delaware corporation headquartered in New York, New York. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Spire Vision Holdings Inc. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of XL Marketing Corp., focused on internet marketing, and its activities include sending and advertising in unlawful spams.
- 6. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Caivis Acquisition Corp. II is currently, and was at all times relevant herein, a Delaware corporation headquartered in Washington, District of Columbia. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Caivis Acquisition Corp. II wholly owns a range of subsidiaries, each focused on a particular area of internet marketing, and its activities include sending and advertising in unlawful spams.
- 7. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Caivis Acquisition

 Corp. III is currently, and was at all times relevant herein, a Delaware corporation headquartered

in Washington, District of Columbia. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon
allege that Caivis Acquisition Corp. III wholly owns a range of subsidiaries, each focused on a
particular area of internet marketing, and its activities include sending and advertising in
unlawful spams.

- 8. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that XL Marketing Corp. is currently, and was at all times relevant herein, a Delaware corporation headquartered in New York, New York. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that XL Marketing Corp. wholly owns a range of subsidiaries, each focused on a particular area of internet marketing, and its activities include sending and advertising in unlawful spams.
- 9. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Spire Vision LLC is currently, and was at all relevant times, a Delaware limited liability company headquartered in New York, New York. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Spire Vision LLC is focused on internet marketing, and its activities include sending and advertising in unlawful spams.
- 10. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that ProAdvertisers LLC is currently, and was at all relevant times, a Delaware limited liability company headquartered in Bear, Delaware. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that ProAdvertisers LLC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Spire Vision Holdings Inc., focused on internet marketing, and its activities include sending and advertising in unlawful spams.
- 11. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Prime Advertisers LLC is currently, and was at all relevant times, a Nevada limited liability company headquartered in Reno, Nevada. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Prime

Advertisers LLC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Spire Vision Holdings Inc., focused on internet

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marketing, and its activities include sending and advertising in unlawful spams. 12. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that MediActivate LLC is currently, and was at all relevant times, a Nevada limited liability company headquartered in Las Vegas, Nevada. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that MediActivate LLC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Spire Vision Holdings Inc., focused on internet marketing, and its activities include sending and advertising in unlawful spams.

- Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that ConnectionCentrals is, and was at all relevant times, a business entity of unknown organization, claiming its address to be a box at a commercial mail receiving agency in Flint, Michigan. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that notwithstanding Counter-defendants' claims that ConnectionCentrals is a Delaware series limited liability company, neither the Delaware nor Michigan Secretary of State websites have any such entity on file. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that ConnectionCentrals is a subsidiary or division or brand of XL Marketing Corp. and/or its subsidiaries and is focused on internet marketing, and its activities include sending and advertising in unlawful spams.
- 14. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that SilverInteractive is, and was at all relevant times, a business entity of unknown organization, claiming its address to be a box at a commercial mail receiving agency in Milford, Connecticut. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that notwithstanding claims on the SilverInteractive.com website that SilverInteractive is a limited liability company, neither the Delaware nor Connecticut Secretary of State websites have any such entity on file. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that SilverInteractive is a subsidiary or division or brand

1	of XL Marketing Corp. and/or its subsidiaries and is focused on internet marketing, and its		
2	activities include sending and advertising in unlawful spams.		
3	15. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Digital Publishing		
4	Corp. is a business entity of unknown organization with a primary place of business in		
5	Washington, District of Columbia, and operates the FindAccountingPrograms.com and		
6	FindMBAPrograms.com websites, and its activities include sending and advertising in unlawfu		
7	spam.		
8	16. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Ward Media Inc. is, and		
9	was at all relevant times, a Delaware corporation with a primary place of business in New York,		
10	New York, and operates the <i>ElementaryTeaching.org</i> website, and its activities include sending		
11	and advertising in unlawful spam.		
12	17. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that <i>OnDemandResearch</i> .		
13	com is, and was at all relevant times, a business entity of unknown organization with a primary		
14	place of business in New York, New York, and operates the <i>OnDemandResearch.com</i> website,		
15	and its activities include sending and advertising in unlawful spam.		
16	18. Riley and Kirby hereafter refer to Spire Vision Holdings Inc., Caivis Acquisition Corp.		
17	II, Caivis Acquisition Corp. III, XL Marketing Corp., Spire Vision LLC, ProAdvertisers LLC,		
18	Prime Advertisers LLC, MediActivate LLC, ConnectionCentrals, SilverInteractive, Digital		
19	Publishing Corp., Ward Media Inc., and OnDemandResearch.com collectively as "Spire Vision.		
20	C. Other Counter-Defendants		
21	19. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that 60MinutePayday.com		
22	is, and was at all relevant times, a business entity of unknown organization, claiming a principal		
23	place of business in Walnut, California.		
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1	20. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Zach Robbins is, and			
2	was at all relevant times, an individual residing in Glassboro, New Jersey, and operates the			
3	60MinutePayday.com website.			
4	21. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that AARP is, and was at all			
5	relevant times, a District of Columbia non-profit corporation with a primary place of business in			
6	Washington, District of Columbia, and operates the <i>AARP.com</i> website.			
7	22. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Accelerated			
8	Performance – Channel Management LLC ("APCM") is a business entity of unknown			
9	organization with a primary place of business in Los Angeles, California, and operates the			
10	AlmightyBible-Promotions.com website.			
11	23. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Accelerated Tax			
12	Solutions Inc. is, and was at all relevant times, a Florida corporation with a primary place of			
13	business in North Miami Beach, Florida, and operates the <i>AcceleratedTaxSolutions.com</i> website.			
14	24. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that AffiliateNetwork.com			
15	Marketing LLC is, and was at all relevant times, a New York limited liability company with a			
16	primary place of business in New York, New York, and operates the WinHundred.com and			
17	MediaSSLServer.com websites.			
18	25. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Autotegrity Inc. is, and			
19	was at all relevant times, a Delaware corporation with a primary place of business in Wakefield,			
20	Massachusetts or Cambridge, Massachusetts, and operates the <i>Auto-Price-Finder.com</i> website.			
21	26. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Stacey Bruck is, and			
22	was at all relevant times, an individual residing in Austin, Texas, and operates the			
,,	FiveStarAutoProtection com website			

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27. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that CashFast123 LLC is, and was at all relevant times, a Delaware limited liability company with a primary place of business in Phoenix, Arizona, and operates the *CashHandshake.com* website.
28. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Channel Clarity Inc. is,

and was at all relevant times, an Illinois corporation with a primary place of business in Chicago, Illinois, and operates the *GetUnemploymentBenefits.com* and *ResourcesForAmericans.info* websites.

29. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that *ConsumerInjuryAlert*. *com* is, and was at all relevant times, a business entity of unknown organization with a primary place of business in San Diego, California, and operates the *ConsumerInjuryAlert.com* website.

Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Davison Design &

Development Inc. ("Davison") is, and was at all relevant times, a Pennsylvania corporation with a primary place of business in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and operates the *Davison.com* website. Davison advertises that it can develop inventions, but Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that it has no real ability to do so. The Federal Trade Commission sued Davison & Associates Inc. (Davison's predecessor company) and its principals for fraudulent business practices related to invention development. Davison admits on its website, on a page titled "Affirmative Disclosure Statement" that can only be reached via a small, light-blue-ondark-blue link at the bottom of the homepage, that only 14 of 53,000 clients in the last five years realized a net profit from Davison's work. Thus, Riley and Kirby are informed and believe that 99.97% of would-be inventors lost money working with Davison. Davison also discloses that only 0.001% of its income came from royalties on licenses of consumers' products, which means that 99.999% of Davison's income comes from up-front flat fees paid by would-be inventors.

primary place of business in Seattle, Washington, and operates the *MyPhotographyCareer.com* website.

- 37. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that *PolicyGo.com* is, and was at all relevant times, a business entity of unknown organization with a primary place of business in Miami, Florida and operates the *PolicyGo.com* website.
- 38. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that QuoteWizard LLC is, and was at all relevant times, a Delaware limited liability company with a primary place of business in Seattle, Washington, and operates the *SaveUpTo800.com* website.
- 39. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Spark Networks USA LLC is, and was at all relevant times, a Delaware limited liability company with a primary place of business in Beverly Hills, California, and operates the *BlackSingles.com* website.
- 40. Riley and Kirby do not know the true names or legal capacities of the counter-defendants sued herein as Does 1 through 100, inclusive, and therefore sue these defendants under such fictitious names. Riley and Kirby will amend this Counter-claim to allege their true names and capacities when ascertained. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that each fictitiously named counter-defendant is responsible in some manner for the matters alleged herein, and that Riley and Kirby' injuries and damages alleged herein were proximately caused by their conduct.

IV. FACTS

41. Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that at least some of the Spire Vision Counter-defendants hold themselves out as an advertising network, connecting advertisers (such as Davison) with *third party* publishers or affiliates. *See, e.g., Commission Wizard.com* – a website owned by Spire Vision. However, Spire Vision actually sent the spams

1	at issue themselves, but took extraordinary steps to hide their identities as they did so. Spire		
2	Vision only identified themselves in the spams as "ConnectionCentrals" and "SilverInteractive,		
3	non-existent companies, claiming addresses at commercial mail receiving agencies in Flint,		
4	Michigan and Milford, Connecticut, respectively. Moreover, the domain names advertised in		
5	and used to send the spams were registered to "ConnectionCentrals" and "SilverInteractive."		
6	Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that Spire Vision engaged in this		
7	scheme to prevent anyone from identifying Spire Vision as the true source of the spams by		
8	querying the Whois database.		
9	42. The emails at issue in this Counter-claim were all "commercial email advertisements"		
10	because they advertised and promoted the lease, sale, rental, gift offer, or other disposition of any		
11	property, goods, services, or extension of credit. See Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17529.1(c).		
12	43. The emails at issue in this Counter-claim were all "unsolicited commercial email		
13	advertisements" because neither Riley nor Kirby ever gave "direct consent" to any Counter-		
14	defendant to send them commercial email, and neither Riley nor Kirby ever had a "preexisting or		
15	current business relationship" with any Counter-defendant. See Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code		
16	§ 17529.1(o), (d), (<i>l</i>).		
17	44. Spire Vision and other Counter-defendants advertised in and sent at least 71 spams to		
18	Riley.		
19	45. Spire Vision and other Counter-defendants advertised in and sent at least 17 spams to		
20	Kirby.		
21	46. The dozens of domain names hyperlinked and advertised in the spams are owned and		
22	operated by Spire Vision. A person who clicks on a link in the spam causes his or her computer		
23	to launch an Internet browser, which redirects through <i>PromotionsTargeted.com</i> , also owned an		

1 operated by Spire Vision, and eventually ends up at the final "destination" websites. Some of 2 destination websites, such as OnDemandResearch.com, are owned and operated by Spire Vision. 3 Other destination websites, such as *Davison.com*, are owned and operated by other advertisers, such as Davison. 5 A. Spams Advertising Spire Vision's Own "Destination Websites" (10) 47. Kirby received spams advertising Spire Vision/Digital Publishing Corp.'s website 6 FindMBAPrograms.com on August 13, 2011 with the From Name "BecomeAnEventPlanner," 7 and on August 22, 2011 with the From Name "Event Planner Training." Neither From Name 8 identifies Spire Vision or Digital Publishing Corp. Both From Names are misleading as to who 9 the spams are actually from. The From Name could just as easily refer to any of hundreds of 10 sources that can provide training to become an event planner, including but not limited to 11 Tisoh.com or QCEventPlanning.com. The From Names are further misleading because a person 12 does not need an MBA (Masters of Business Administration) degree to become an event planner. 13 48. Kirby received spams advertising Spire Vision/Digital Publishing Corp.'s website 14 FindAccountingPrograms.com on August 24, 2011 with the From Name "Accounting Programs" 15 and on August 25, 2011 with the From Name "Become an Accountant." Neither From Name 16 identifies Spire Vision or Digital Publishing Corp. Both From Names are misleading as to who 17 the spams are actually from. The From Names could just as easily refer to any of hundreds if not 18 thousands of sources that can provide training to become an accountant, including but not limited 19 to Phoenix.edu or AccountingCoach.com. 20 49. Kirby received spams advertising Spire Vision/Ward Media Inc.'s website 21 Elementary Teaching.org on August 25, 2011 with the From Name "Become a Teacher" and on 22. August 25, 2011 with the From Name "BeAnElementaryTeacher." Neither From Name

identifies Spire Vision or Digital Publishing Corp. Both From Names are misleading as to who

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1 Robbins. The From Name is misleading as to who the spam is actually from. Riley is informed 2 and believes and thereon alleges that "Customer Relations" is not a dba or a registered fictitious 3 business name, and is so broad as to be utterly meaningless. C. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and AARP (1) 53. Riley received a spam advertising Spire Vision and AARP's website AARP.com on April 5 2, 2011 with the From Name "Benefitsfor50plus." The From Name does not identify Spire 6 Vision or AARP. The From Name is misleading as to who the spam is actually from. Such a 7 From Name could just as easily refer to websites such as 50Plus.com or even a "senior dating" 8 website" such as SeniorPeopleMeet.com. 9 D. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and Accelerated Performance – Channel Management 10 LLC (3) 11 54. Riley received two spams advertising Spire Vision and APCM's website AlmightyBible-12 Promotions.com on March 27, 2011 with the From Name "Books for Children," and one spam 13 on March 28, 2011 with the From Name "Kids Bible." The From Names do not identify Spire 14 Vision or APCM. The From Names are misleading as to who the spams are actually *from*. The 15 From Name "Books for Children" could just as easily refer to the National Education 16 Association's list of "Teachers' Top 100 Books for Children," available at http://www.nea.org/ 17 grants/13154.htm. The From Name "Kids Bible" could just as easily refer to many websites, 18 including but not limited to *ChildrensBible.com* or *BibleforChildren.org*. 19 E. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and Accelerated Tax Solutions Inc. (1) 20 55. Riley received a spam advertising Spire Vision and Accelerated Tax Solutions Inc.'s 21 website Accelerated Tax Solutions.com on April 1, 2011 with the From Name "Professional Tax 22 Consultants." (The body of the spam incorrectly referred to "Accredited Tax Solutions.") The 23 From Name does not identify Spire Vision or Accelerated Tax Solutions Inc. The From Name is

1 misleading as to who the spam is actually from. Such a From Name could just as easily refer to 2 any of thousands of professional tax consultants, including but not limited to LibertyTax.com or HRBlock.com. 3 F. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and AffiliateNetwork.com Marketing LLC (1) 56. Riley received a spam advertising Spire Vision and AffiliateNetwork.com Marketing 5 Inc.'s websites WinHundred.com and MediaSSLServer.com on April 4, 2011 with the From Name "Credit Card Services." The From Name does not identify Spire Vision or 7 AffiliateNetwork.com Marketing LLC. The From Name is misleading as to who the spam is 8 actually from. Such a From Name could just as easily refer to any of thousands of credit card 9 issuing banks, credit unions, or merchants... and could easily mislead the recipient into thinking 10 that the email was from him his or her own credit card issuer, as opposed to a solicitation for a 11 new credit card. 12 G. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and Autotegrity Inc. (6) 13 Riley received spams advertising Spire Vision and Autotegrity Inc.'s website Auto-Price-57. 14 Finder.com on March 10, 2011 with the From Name "Best New Car Deals," on March 25, 2011 15 with the From Name "Low Prices on New Cars," on March 28, 2011 with the From Name "Best 16 New Car Deals," on March 29, 2011 with the From Name "Car Quotes Compared," and on 17 March 31, 2011 with the From Name "Car Quotes Compared." The From Names do not identify 18 Spire Vision or Autotegrity Inc. The From Names are misleading as to who the spams are 19 actually from. The From Names could just as easily refer to any of hundreds if not thousands of 20 websites that sell cars or direct consumers to retailers who sell cars, including but not limited to 21 AutoTrader.com or AutoWeb.com.. 22. 58. Kirby received a spam advertising Spire Vision and Autotegrity Inc.'s website Auto-23 Price-Finder.com on August 17, 2011 with the From Name "Best New Car Deals." The From 24

1	Name does not identify Spire Vision or Autotegrity Inc. The From Name is misleading as to
2	who the spams are actually <i>from</i> . The From Name could just as easily refer to any of hundreds i
3	not thousands of websites that sell cars or direct consumers to retailers who sell cars, including
4	but not limited to AutoTrader.com or AutoWeb.com.
5	H. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and Stacey Bruck (2)
6	59. Riley received spams advertising Spire Vision and Stacey Bruck's website
7	FiveStarAutoProtection.com on March 29 and April 3, 2011 with the From Name "Vehicle
8	Protection." The From Names do not identify Spire Vision or Stacey Bruck/FiveStarAuto
9	Protection.com. The From Names are misleading as to who the spams are actually from. The
10	From Names could just as easily refer to any of hundreds if not thousands of websites related to
11	"vehicle protection," which could include anything from insurance to rustproofing to alarms to
12	Lojack recovery systems.
13	I. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and CashFast123 LLC (1)
14	60. Riley received a spam advertising Spire Vision and CashFast 123 LLC's website
15	CashHandshake.com on March 6, 2011 with the From Name "FastLoans." The From Name
16	does not identify Spire Vision or CashFast123 LLC. The From Name is misleading as to who
17	the spams are actually from. The From Name could just as easily refer to any of hundreds if not
18	thousands of websites offering fast loans, including but not limited to FastLoan.org or Real-
19	Fast-Loans.com.
20	J. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and Channel Clarity Inc. (4)
21	61. Riley received spams advertising Spire Vision and Channel Clarity Inc.'s website
22	GetUnemploymentBenefits.com on March 25 and March 28, 2011 with the From Name
23	"Extended Unemployment Benefits." The From Names do not identify Spire Vision or Channel
24	Clarity Inc./GetUnemploymentBenefits.com. The From Names are misleading as to who the

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spams are actually *from*. The From Names could just as easily refer to any of hundreds if not thousands of websites related to obtaining unemployment benefits, including but not limited to state Department of Labor websites.

62. Riley received spams advertising Spire Vision and Channel Clarity Inc.'s website *ResourcesForAmericans.info* on March 27 and March 30, 2011 with the From Name "Government Resources Approval." The From Names do not identify Spire Vision or Channel Clarity Inc./*ResourcesForAmericans.info*. The From Names are misleading as to who the spams are actually *from*. The From Names could just as easily refer to any of hundreds if not thousands of websites related to obtaining government resources – not that the *kind* of resources is stated – including but not limited to actual government-operated websites.

K. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and ConsumerInjuryAlert.com (1)

63. Kirby received a spam advertising Spire Vision and *ConsumerInjuryAlert.com* on August 18, 2011 with the From Name "Zoloft Attorney." The From Name does not identify Spire Vision, *ConsumerInjuryAlert.com*, or any attorney. The From Name is misleading as to who the spams are actually *from*. The From Name could just as easily refer to any of hundreds if not thousands of attorneys litigating Zoloft-related birth defects.

L. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and Davison Design & Development Inc. (17)

64. Riley received spams advertising Spire Vision and Davison on February 22, 2011 with the Subject Line "Invent and We will develop it"; on February 23, 2011 with the From Name "Cathy Riley DavisonDesigns"; on February 27, 2011 with the From Name "Cathy Riley DavisonDesigns" and the Subject Line "Value your idea Cathy Riley. Turn your idea into a product."; on March 3, 2011 with the From Name "Cathy Riley DavisonDesigns" and the Subject Line "Invent and We will develop it"; on March 7, 2011 with the Subject Line "Invent and We will develop it"; on March 13, 2011 with *no* From Name or Subject Line; on March 14,

1	2011 with the Subject Line "Invent and We will develop it"; on March 17, 2011 with the From		
2	Name "Cathy Riley DavisonDesigns" and the Subject Line "Invent and We will develop it"; on		
3	March 20, 2011 with <i>no</i> Subject Line; on March 22, 2011 with <i>no</i> Subject Line; two on March		
4	23, 2011 with <i>no</i> From Name or Subject Line; on March 31, 2011 with the Subject Line "Invent		
5	and We will develop it"; on March 31, 2011 with the From Name "Cathy Riley DavisonDesigns"		
6	and the Subject Line "Value your idea Cathy Riley. Turn your idea into a product."; on April 1,		
7	2011 with the Subject Line "Invent and We will develop it"; and on April 5, 2011 with the From		
8	Name "Cathy Riley DavisonDesigns" and the Subject Line "Value your idea Cathy Riley. Turn		
9	your idea into a product."		
10	65. Kirby received a spam advertising Spire Vision and Davison on August 23, 2011 with the		
11	From Name "Roger Kirby DavisonDesigns" and the Subject Line "Invent and We will develop		
12	it."		
13	66. The From Names that include Cathy Riley and Roger Kirby are misleading because these		
14	spams were not from Cathy Riley or Roger Kirby.		
15	67. The Subject Lines that include "Invent and We will develop it" and "Turn your idea into		
16	a product" are false and are misleading because a reasonable recipient is likely to believe that		
17	Davison actually has the ability to develop inventions, to turn ideas into products, and to bring		
18	products to market, when Riley and Kirby are informed and believe and thereon allege that it has		
19	no ability to do so.		
20	68. The blank From Names and Subject Lines also misrepresent the source of the emails and		
21	the contents of the emails.		
22	M. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and GMB Direct Inc. (3)		
23	69. Riley received a spam advertising Spire Vision and GMB Direct Inc.'s website		
24	JobAlertsUSA.com on March 29, 2011 and two spams on March 30, 2011 with the From Name		

"Christian Jobs." The From Names do not identify Spire Vision or GMB Direct Inc. The From Names are misleading as to who the spams are actually *from*. The From Names could just as easily refer to any of hundreds if not thousands of websites related to Christian jobs, including but not limited to *Christian Jobs.com* or *Ministry Employment.com*.

N. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and The Great American Photo Contest LLC/What If Holdings LLC (1)

70. Kirby received a spam advertising Spire Vision and The Great American Photo Contest LLC/What If Holdings LLC's website *GreatAmericanPhotoContests.com* on August 13, 2011 with the From Name "Pet Contest." The From Name does not identify Spire Vision or The Great American Photo Contest LLC/What If Holdings LLC. The From Name is misleading as to who the spams are actually *from*. The From Name could just as easily refer to any of hundreds if not thousands of websites related to pet contests, including but not limited to *CutestPetContest.com* or *PetCentric.com*.

O. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and KeyWebJobs.com (3)

71. Kirby received spams advertising Spire Vision and *KeyWebJobs.com* on August 14, August 22, and August 23, 2011 with the From Name "Scott K.May." The From Name does not identify Spire Vision or *KeyWebJobs.com*, and in fact the body of each spam identifies the sender as "Scott Hunter."

P. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and Lifescript Inc. (3)

Riley received spams advertising Spire Vision and LifeScript Inc.'s website LifeScript.com on April 2, 2011 with the From Name "FREECoupons," and two on April 4, 2011 with the From Name "Free Snuggle Sample." The From Name does not identify Spire Vision or Lifescript Inc. The From Name is misleading as to who the spams are actually from. The From Name could just as easily refer to any of hundreds if not thousands of websites related to

1 coupons (e.g., FreeCoupons.com or Valpak.com) and free Snuggle samples (e.g., 2 FrugalDay.com or Free4Her.info). Q. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and MyPhotographyCareer.com (3) 3 73. Riley received spams advertising Spire Vision and MyPhotographyCareer.com LifeScript.com on March 24, 2011 with the From Name "Photography Degree Search," on March 5 26, 2011 with the From Name "Photography Degree Search," and on April 2, 2011 with the 6 From Name "Photography Education Network." None of these From Name identify Spire 7 Vision or MyPhotographyCareer.com. The From Name is misleading as to who the spams are 8 actually from. The From Name could just as easily refer to any of hundreds if not thousands of 9 websites related to careers in photography, including but not limited to *Photography.Hallmark*. 10 edu or AllArtSchools.com. 11 R. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and *PolicyGo.com* (7) 12 74. Riley received spams advertising Spire Vision and *PolicyGo.com* on March 21, 2011 13 with the From Name "Life Insurance Policies," on March 23, March 24, March 26, and April 4, 14 2011 with the From Name "Best Life Insurance," and on April 1, 2011 with the From Name 15 "Life Insurance." None of these From Name identify Spire Vision or *PolicyGo.com*. The From 16 Name is misleading as to who the spams are actually *from*. The From Name could just as easily 17 refer to any of hundreds if not thousands of websites selling life insurance or directing 18 consumers to life insurance providers, including but not limited to LifeInsurancePolicies.com or 19 MetLife.com. 20 75. Kirby received a spam advertising Spire Vision and *PolicyGo.com* on August 16, 2011 21 with the From Name "Roger Kirby Life Insurance." This From Name does not identify Spire 22 Vision or *PolicyGo.com*. The From Name is misleading as to who the spams were actually *from*. 23

Kirby's first name is Kristina, not Roger, but even if her name were Roger, this From Name

misrepresents the source of the email because it falsely suggests that the sender had or has a relationship with Roger Kirby. S. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and QuoteWizard.com LLC (12)

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76. Riley received spams advertising Spire Vision and QuoteWizard.com LLC's website SaveUpTo800.com on March 7, 2011 with the From Name "Car Insurance Policies," on March 7, March 30, and April 3, 2011 with the From Name "Best Car Insurance," on March 13 and March 16, 2011 with the From Name "Car Insurance Alternatives," on March 25, 2011 with the From Name "Insurance Secrets," two on April 1 and three on April 5, 2011 with the From Name "Best Insurance." None of these From Name identify Spire Vision or QuoteWizard.com LLC. The From Name is misleading as to who the spams are actually *from*. The From Name could just as easily refer to any of hundreds if not thousands of websites selling car insurance or directing consumers to car insurance providers, including but not limited to Esurance.com or MyCarInsuranceRates.com.

T. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and Spark Networks USA LLC (5)

Riley received spams advertising Spire Vision and Spark Networks USA LLC's website BlackSingles.com on February 26, March 5, March 29, and March 30, 2011 with the From Name "Black Singles Dating," and on April 4, 2011 with the From Name "Black Singles Site." Neither of these From Name identifies Spire Vision or Spark Networks USA LLC/BlackSinglesDating. com. The From Name is misleading as to who the spams are actually from. The From Name could just as easily refer to any of numerous websites dedicated to African-American dating, including but not limited to *SoulSingles.com* or *BlackPeopleMeet.com*.

U. Spams Advertising Spire Vision and Other Unknown Advertisers (11)

78. Riley received a spam advertising Spire Vision and Doe 1 on March 9, 2011 with the From Name "Home Employment." This From Name does not identify Spire Vision or anyone

else. The From Name is misleading as to who the spams are actually from. The From Name 1 2 could just as easily refer to any of numerous (often bogus) "work from home" websites. 79. Riley received spams advertising Spire Vision and Doe 2 on March 20, March 24, two on 3 4 April 1, April 2, and April 4, 2011 with the From Name "Internet Job Locator Online." This 5 From Name does not identify Spire Vision or anyone else. The From Name is misleading as to 6 who the spams are actually *from*. The From Name could just as easily refer to any of numerous 7 websites dedicated to Internet jobsearch, such as Monster.com or CareerBuilder.com. 80. 8 Riley received spams advertising Spire Vision and Doe 3 on March 21, March 23, April 9 3, and April 5, 2011 with the From Name "Unemployment Poll." This From Name does not 10 identify Spire Vision or anyone else. The From Name is misleading as to who the spams are actually *from*. The From Name could just as easily refer to any of numerous (usually bogus) 11 12 "survey" websites. 13 FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION 14 [Violations of California Restrictions on Unsolicited Commercial Email, 15 California Business and Professions Code § 17529.5] (Against All Counter-Defendants) 16 81. Riley and Kirby hereby incorporate each and every foregoing paragraph as though set 17 forth in full herein. 18 82. Counter-defendants advertised in and sent 71 unlawful spams to Riley's California email 19 address. 20 83. Counter-defendants advertised in and sent 17 unlawful spams to Kirby's California email 21 address. 22 84. Riley and Kirby received the spams at issue within one year prior to filing this Counter-23 claim. 24

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A. Counter-Defendants Violated Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17529.5(a)(2) – False and Misrepresented Header Information

- 85. Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17529.5(a)(2) prohibits misrepresented information in email headers. The From Name in an email is supposed to identify who the email is *from*; it is not supposed to be an advertising message.
- 86. The From Names of the spams at issue misrepresented who was advertising in the spams. In some cases, the From Names were merely ambiguous. In other cases, the spams actually included Riley's name in the From Name, even though the spams are *not* from her.
- 87. The blank From Names of the Davison spams also misrepresent who the spams are from.
- 88. The Subject Lines (part of the headers) of the Davison spams described above contain misrepresented information relating to Davison's capabilities to develop products. By Davison's own admissions, 99.999% of its income comes from up-front fees paid by inventors, as opposed to royalties from licensing arrangements, and 99.97% of would-be inventors lost money working with Davison.

B. Counter-Defendants Violated Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17529.5(a)(3) – Misleading **Subject Lines**

- 89. Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17529.5(a)(3) prohibits Subject Lines likely to mislead a reasonable recipient.
- 90. The Subject Lines of the OnDemandResearch.com spams described above referring to a "Free \$500 Card" and a "Free \$20 Gas Card" are likely to mislead a reasonable recipient into believing that the cards are actually free when in fact a consumer has to "complete promotional offers" or "complete sponsor offers" and expend significant amounts of money to obtain the purportedly "free" cards.
- 91. The Subject Lines of the Davison spams described above are likely to mislead a reasonable recipient into believing that Davison has the capabilities to develop products and

1	designed to effectively prevent unsolicited commercial e-mail advertisements that are in		
2	violation of Bus. & Prof. Code § 17529.5.		
3	99. Indeed, the Spire Vision Counter-defendants admit that they acquire email address from		
4	other sources.		
5	100. Moreover, From Names and Subject Lines do not write themselves; the From Names and		
6	Subject Lines in the spams at issue were not "clerical errors."		
7	E. Riley and Kirby are Entitled to Attorneys' Fees		
8	101. Riley and Kirby seek reimbursement of attorneys' fees and costs as authorized by Cal.		
9	Bus. & Prof. Code § 17529.5(b)(1)(C).		
10	102. The attorneys' fees provision for a prevailing plaintiff is typical of consumer protection		
11	statutes and supported by Cal. Code Civ. Proc. § 1021.5. By prosecuting this action, Riley and		
12	Kirby expect to enforce an important right affecting the public interest and thereby confer a		
13	significant benefit on the general public or a large class of persons. The necessity and financial		
14	burden of private enforcement is such as to make the award appropriate, and the attorneys' fees		
15	should not, in the interest of justice, be paid out of the recovery of damages.		
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17	WHEREFORE, Riley and Kirby pray for judgment against Counter-defendants, and each of		
18	them, as hereinafter set forth.		
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20	SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION		
21	[Violations of Consumers Legal Remedies Act, Cal. Civil Code § 1750 et seq.] (By Cathy Riley, Against Davison Design & Development Inc.)		
22	103. Riley hereby incorporates each and every foregoing paragraph as though set forth in full		
23	herein.		
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1	(10th Cir. 1997); Williams v. Gerber Prods. Co., 552 F.3d 934, 939-40 (9th Cir. 2008) ("We		
2	disagree with the district court that reasonable consumers should be expected to look beyond		
3	misleading representations on the front of the box to discover the truth from the ingredient list in		
4	small print on the side of the box.").		
5	109. Riley, through counsel, sent a certified, return-receipt letter to Davison on March 17,		
6	2011, alleging violations of the CLRA and demanding that Davison remedy the violations within		
7	30 days in accordance with Cal. Civil Code § 1782, by: 1) identifying all consumers similarly		
8	situated to her who received Davison's unlawful spams, 2) notifying those consumers that upon		
9	their request Davison will make the appropriate corrections, and 3) immediately ceasing		
10	engaging in the false advertising practices used in the spams she received.		
11	110. Riley is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Davison has not timely (or at all)		
12	remedies its violations of the CLRA. Indeed, Davison sent a comparable, unlawful spam to		
13	Kirby (Subject Line: "Invent and We will develop it") five months later, on August 23, 2011.		
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15	WHEREFORE, Riley prays for judgment against Davison as hereinafter set forth.		
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17	PRAYER FOR RELIEF		
18	A. An Order from this Court declaring that Counter-defendants violated Cal. Business &		
19	Professions Code § 17529.5 by advertising in and sending unlawful spams.		
20	B. An Order from this Court declaring that Davison Design & Development Inc. violated the		
21	Consumers Legal Remedies Act, Cal. Civil Code § 1750 et seq. through its false advertising.		
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- C. Liquidated damages against Counter-defendants in the amount of \$88,000 \$1,000 for each of 88 unlawful spams as authorized by Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17529.5(b)(1)(B)(ii), as detailed below:
 - 1. Jointly and severally against Spire Vision Counter-defendants: \$10,000 \$1,000 for each of 10 unlawful spams advertising Spire Vision "destination" websites FindMBAPrograms.com, FindAccountingPrograms.com, ElementaryTeaching. org, and OnDemandResearch.com.
 - 2. Jointly and severally against Spire Vision, 60MinutePayday.com, and Zach Robbins: \$1,000 for 1 unlawful spam.
 - 3. Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and AARP: \$1,000 for 1 unlawful spam.
 - 4. Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and Accelerated Performance Channel Management LLC: \$3,000 for 3 unlawful spams.
 - Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and Accelerated Tax Solutions Inc.:\$1,000 for 1 unlawful spam.
 - 6. Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and AffiliateNetwork.com Marketing LLC: \$1,000 for 1 unlawful spam.
 - 7. Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and Autotegrity Inc.: \$6,000 for 6 unlawful spams.
 - 8. Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and Stacey Bruck: \$2,000 for 2 unlawful spams.

1	9.	Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and CashFast123 LLC: \$1,000 for 1
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3	10.	Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and Channel Clarity Inc.: \$4,000 for 4
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6	11.	Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and ConsumerInjuryAlert.com: \$1,000 for 1 unlawful spam
7		for 1 unlawful spam.
8	12.	Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and Davison Design & Development
9		Inc.: \$17,000 for 17 unlawful spams.
10	13.	Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and GMB Direct Inc.: \$3,000 for 3
11		unlawful spams.
12	14.	Jointly and severally against Spire Vision, The Great American Photo Contest
13		LLC, and What If Holdings LLC: \$1,000 for 1 unlawful spam.
14	15.	Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and KeyWebJobs.com: \$3,000 for 3
15		unlawful spams.
16	16.	Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and Lifescript Inc.: \$3,000 for 3
17		unlawful spams.
18	17.	Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and MyPhotographyCareer.com:
19	17.	\$3,000 for 3 unlawful spams.
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21	18.	Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and <i>PolicyGo.com</i> : \$7,000 for 7
22		unlawful spams.
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1		19. Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and QuoteWizard.com LLC: \$12,000		
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3		20.	Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and Spark Networks USA LLC: \$5,000	
4			for 5 unlawful spams.	
5		21.	Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and Doe 1: \$1,000 for 1 unlawful spam	
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7		22.	Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and Doe 2: \$6,000 for 6 unlawful	
8			spams.	
9		23.	Jointly and severally against Spire Vision and Doe 3: \$4,000 for 4 unlawful	
10			spams.	
11	D. An order from this Court prohibiting Davison from advertising to California residents			
12	that Davison has the ability to develop new products.			
13	E. Punitive damages against the Spire Vision Counter-defendants as authorized by Cal. Civ			
14	Code § 3294 in an amount to be determined by the Court.			
15	F.	Dunitis	ve damages against Davison as authorized by Cal. Civil Code & 1780(a)(4) in an	
16	F. Punitive damages against Davison as authorized by Cal. Civil Code § 1780(a)(4) in an amount to be determined by the Court.			
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18	G. Attorneys' fees as authorized by Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17529.5(b)(1)(C), Cal. Civil			
19	Code § 1780(e), and Cal. Code Civ. Proc. § 1021.5.			
20	H. Disgorgement of all profits derived from unlawful spams directed to California residents			
21	I.	I. Costs of suit.		
22	J. Such other and further relief as the Court deems proper.			
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1	DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL				
2	Cross-compla	inants demand a trial l	by jury.		
3			THE LAW OFFICES OF DANIEL BALSAM		
4	Dated:	Dec. 8, 2011	/s/ Daniel L. Balsam		
5			Daniel L. Balsam Attorneys for Counter-Complainants		
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